

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held October 14, 2003, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Burke made the following statement:

"The dangers of lead poisoning and the serious health consequences these illnesses pose for children between the ages of six months to six years, as well as pregnant women, have been well documented for many years. The dangers of childhood lead poisoning are serious in Los Angeles County, where many homes built before 1978 contain interior and exterior lead-based paints.

"The need to continually inform the public about the dangers of lead poisoning remains high in Los Angeles County. Lead poisoning can damage a child's nervous system, cause kidney damage, impair growth and mental development, and cause hearing impairment."

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Burke, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried (Supervisor Yaroslavsky being absent), the Board proclaimed the week of October 19 through October 25, 2003 as "Childhood Lead Poisoning and Prevention Week," throughout Los Angeles County; and encouraged parents of young children to take every precaution to protect children from lead exposure.

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